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REFERENCE: BERLIN'S 101 AUGUST 1, 1958

BRITISH REQUESTED TRIPARTITE MEETING LAST NIGHT ON CONVOY-
TRUCK SITUATION. THEY REFERRED TO THEIR TWO TRUCKS TURNED
BACK AUGUST 1 AND TO AUGUST 2 REPLY FROM MARKUSHIN TO BRITISH
POLITICAL ADVISER'S JULY 31 MESSAGE. (GIST MARKUSHIN'S
REPLY, TEXT OF WHICH BEING CABLED BY USBER, WAS THAT INTRO-
DUCTION DATE OF AUGUST 1 FOR "NEW CONTROL PROCEDURE" COULD
NOT REPEAT NOT BE CHANGED - NO SPECIFIC MENTION MADE OF
INSPECTION).

BRITISH SAID THIS POSED PROBLEM FOR THEM SINCE, BECAUSE OF
MILITARY EXERCISES IN WEST GERMANY, IT IMPORTANT THEY BE
ABLE SEND TRUCKS AND TROOPS OVER AUTOBAHN FROM BERLIN BY AUGUST
5. THEY THEREFORE WISHED HAVE MESSAGE SENT MARKUSHIN THIS
MORNING BY US COMMANDANT OR POLITICAL ADVISER (SINCE US NOW
IN CHAIR) REITERATING TRIPARTITE POSITION ON INTRODUCTION DATE
FOR NEW DOCUMENTATION BUT SAYING "PROVISIONAL VERSION OF
DOCUMENTATION SUBMITTED BY ZAHAROV" WOULD BE INTRODUCED NOW
REPEAT NOW. FRENCH AND WE SAID WE COULD NOT REPEAT NOT COMMIT
OUR RESPECTIVE MILITARY AUTHORITIES TO USE OF PROVISIONAL
DOCUMENTATION WITHOUT CONSULTING THEM AND WOULD THEREFORE
PREFER, IN VIEW TIME ELEMENT INVOLVED FOR BRITISH, THAT BRITISH
COMMANDANT OR POLITICAL ADVISER SEND MESSAGE COMMITTING ONLY
BRITISH ELEMENT. BRITISH AGREED AND ARE INSTRUCTING THEIR
BERLIN MISSION ACCORDINGLY, SAYING MESSAGE SHOULD INCLUDE
FOLLOWING:

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